

Iowa Geospatial Technologies Support

Technical Support
Topic: Collecting GPS data

with FieldWorker on

Newton PDA

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Software: FieldWorker Pro 1.2.6

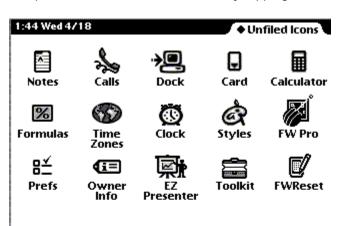
Platforms: Newton MP130, MP2000, MP2100

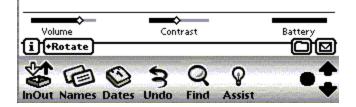
Description

Instructions on collecting point, line and polygon (area) features using a GPS and FieldWorker Pro on the Newton PDA platform.

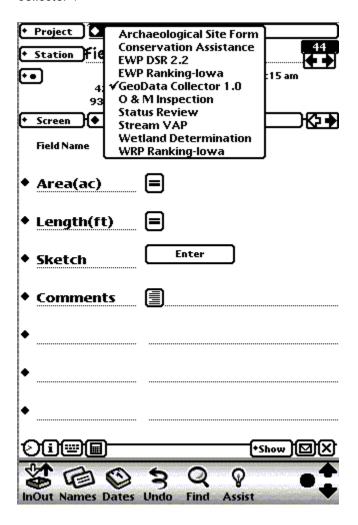
Instructions

1) Open FieldWroker on the Newton by tapping the FW Pro icon.

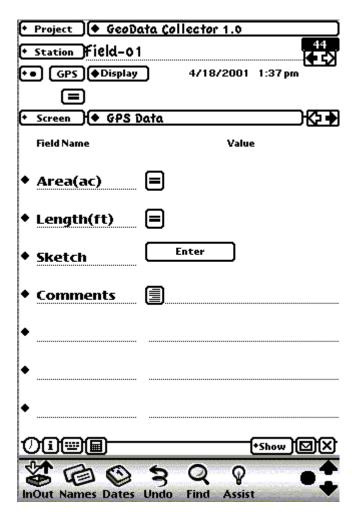




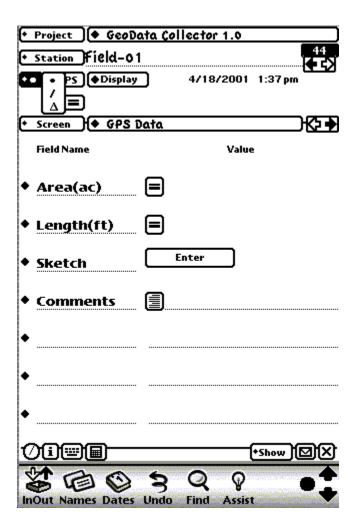
2) Open a FieldWorker project by tapping the ◆ at the top enter of the screen; choose "Geodata Collector".



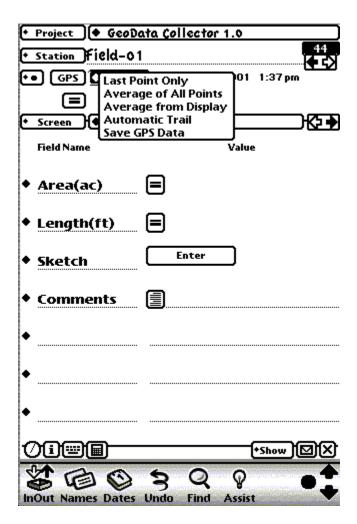
3) Enter a unique site name in the Station line.



4) Select the type of feature to be collected: point, line or polygon (area), from the menu to the left of the "GPS" icon.



5) Select a FPS option from the ♦ to the right of the "GPS" icon.



Last Point Only: When speed is important and the accuracy of a single reading from your GPS receiver is acceptable.

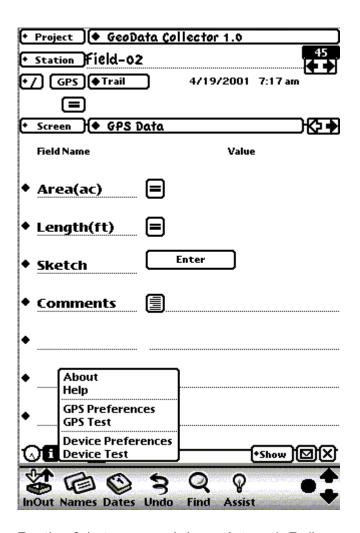
Average of All Points: Improves accuracy by averaging all readings taken from open to close of a FPS connection.

Average from Display: Review a scatter diagram of FPS readings so that outliers can be eliminated before an average is taken.

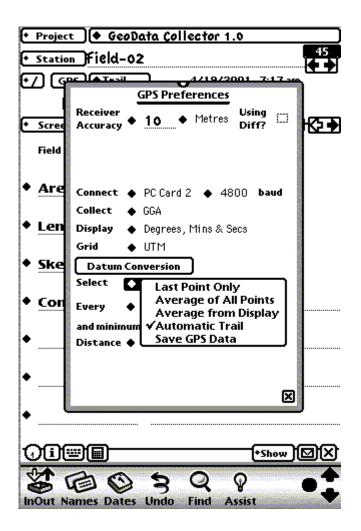
Save FPS Data: Saves NMEA sentences during a GPS connection.

Automatic Trail: User sets time and distance intervals for taking automatic readings.

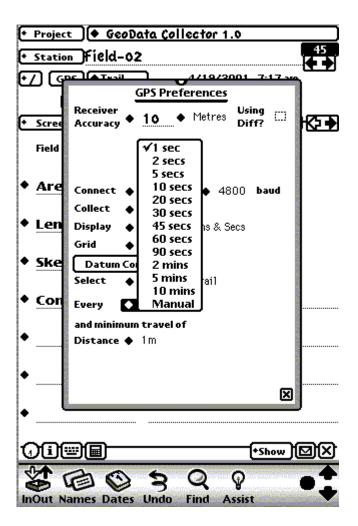
To set the Automatic Trail intervals select the i icon in the lower left part of the screen and select GPS Preferences.



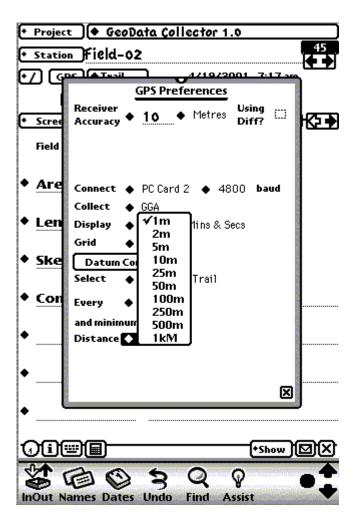
Tap the "Select" menu and choose Automatic Trail.



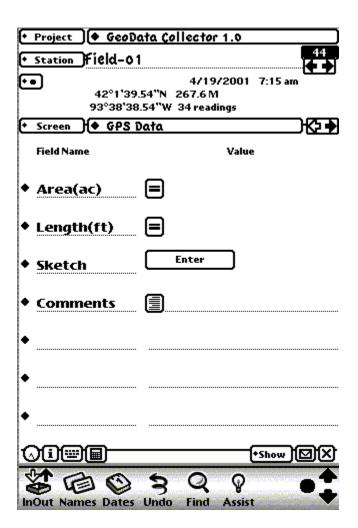
Tap the "Every" menu and choose a time interval.



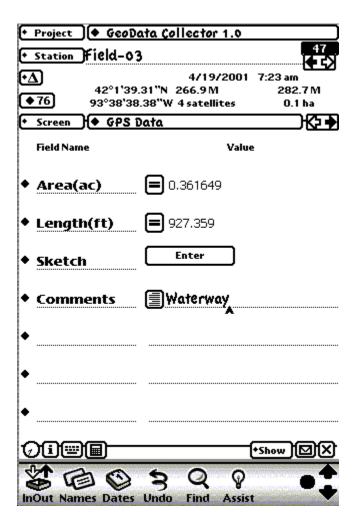
Tap the "Distance" menu and choose a distance interval, then close GPS Preferences Screen.



6) Tap the "GPS" icon to start a GPS connection; coordinate information will appear. Tap the "GPS" icon to complete (point features).



To end GPS collection for polygon features tap the GPS polygon icon then "Done"; tap "Acres" to display acreage information.



To end GPS collection for line features tap the GPS line icon and "Done"; tap "Length" to display length information (ft.).

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